

In the specification:

Please add the following paragraph to page 1, line 2 below the title:

5 --PRIOR APPLICATION

This application is a U.S. national phase application based on International Application No. PCT/SE2004/001474, filed 14 October 2004, claiming priority from Swedish Patent Application No. 0400720-9, filed 22 March 2004.--

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Please amend the paragraph on page 1, lines 5-8, as shown below:

Technical field

15 The present invention relates to a monitoring device as defined in the preamble of claim 1. It also relates to a carrier device as defined in the preamble of claim 13 and a method for monitoring the presence of a monitored item, as defined in the preamble of claim 22. and carrier device. The present invention also relates to a method involving the
20 monitoring device and the carrier device.

Please add the following paragraph at the end of the detailed description but before the claims, as shown below:

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--While the present invention has been described in accordance with preferred compositions and embodiments, it is to be understood that certain substitutions and alterations may be made thereto without departing from the spirit and

scope of the following claims.--